

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 23 as follows:**

Additionally, the specific code is read, e.g., by the pickup 802, and passes through the RF amplifier 803 and signal processor 804 together with the TOC data and is decoded as necessary, and among these codes it is determined whether the title name and title number are stored, for example, in a COCT (contents on console table) in a non-volatile recording device such as a ~~flush~~ flash memory, relating to the control CPU 84 in the main unit, or have already been registered.

**Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 20, line 4 as follows:**

By means of the present invention as described above, the following effects are obtained. Since only titles for which legitimate software has actually been purchased and which have been initially registered in the machine table can be used, resale (so-called used software purchase) after purchase by an end-user becomes practically impossible. When data recorded on a disk is illegally copied in full, since the exact pattern of the verification data cannot be recreated, the manufacture of counterfeit software becomes extremely difficult, and simple copying to a recording medium becomes meaningless. By embedding pulse data, verification data, verification programs, and specific codes in a disk by separate methods, the level of difficulty of counterfeit software manufacturing can be greatly increased. In particular, by switching in multiple stages of disk rotational speed and changing the verification data for each production lot, counterfeit production becomes close to impossible. In this way, since the commerce in ~~use~~ used software and counterfeit software can be drastically reduced, legitimate software can be forcefully

protected and a healthy software commerce market can be maintained and developed by the present invention. Moreover, by viewing the COCT on the software supplier side using the main unit communication function, marketing data that is useful for future software development and sales can be obtained with good accuracy.